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WHO'S SAM SLEDGEHAMMER AND HIS LITTLE BITS OF ROCK?
WHO BUT MRS. SLEDGEHAMMER GIVES A HOOT?
I CARE! HE'S ON TV TONIGHT... WITH TONITE HIS MUSICAL SAW AND TIMPANI COMBO!
SIGH! WHEN JUNE COMES CAN SUMMER REPLACEMENT TV BE FAR BEHIND?
BAH! REGULAR AS DEATH, TAXES AND ARMY WORMS
AHA! I GUESS WE SHOULD LOOK AT IT LIKE TRUE AMERICANS... IT GIVES UNDERDOGS AN OPPORTUNITY!
-LIKE AMATEUR NIGHT AT THE ELKS CLUB!
SOME OF THESE KIDS WAIT YEARS FOR THIS CHANCE, ARNOLD.
THEY SUFFER A LOT FOR THIS, DUS KRAYOLA.
HOW MY TEMPERING OF "MELANCHOLY BABY"...
-A GREAT BREAK FOR THEM, ARNOLD.
-LIKE A SHOT AT STARDOM...
...IS IT SLIMIER THAN A WELDER'S TORCH--
...SHOW BIZ IS TOUGH ON NEWCOMERS.
-BITTERLY TOUGH-
-HERE'S MY IMITATION OF GARY COOPER: "YUP." HAW-HAW. HAW-HAW.
...SUMMER TV IS NICE FOR THE POOR KIDS...
-ASHLEY NICE-
"...WHEN AM I CAWLING YOO. HOO-HOO...HOO. HOO-HOO HOOOOOOO."
FRATS AND LADY--THAT'S THE EMPIRE STATE BUILDING. HAW-HAW!
I THINK WE'VE BEEN MORE THAN FAIR.
...IF YOU HAVE AN ACID THORAX...
I'LL BUY THAT.
CRACK
I WONDER WHERE THEY GO IN WINTER.
CAVES? COCOONS? HOLLOW LOGS?

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WAR! GIT AWAY, BUGS!
SCAT YOU RATS!
THE BATTLE OF THE BUG FLARES AGAIN!
IT'S JUNE ... AND FLIES AND GNATS AND ALL LIKE THAT BUST OUT ALL OVER!
GIT! SHOO!
YOU CAN'T SWAT FLIES WITH A TV SET!
TV WILL NEVER REPLACE NEWSPAPERS!
OR NEWSPAPERS EITHER...
THIS IS INSULTING TO EVERYONE INVOLVED!
NOTHING IS EVER SETTLED BY BRUTE FORCE!
HUH?
MAN HAS SUPERIOR INTELLECT--RIGHT?
MOST MEN ARE SUPERIOR TO MOST BUGS--RIGHT!
YET WE HARASS THE COMMON FLY... BRUTALLY! CRUELLY! LET US STOP BEING SAVAGES!
SO?
SPORTSMANSHIP! DIPLOMACY! SWEET REASON! THAT'S HOW GREAT ISSUES ARE RESOLVED! WATCH THIS...
HI, FELLAS
YOU THINK BRITAIN ENOUGH SUGAR?
I WANT YOU TO KNOW HOW WELL IT'S BEEN HAVING YOU HERE...
...BUT IT'S MUCH HEALTHIER FOR FLIES IN TEXAS CAUSE... SO IF YOU'D JUST FLY ON OUT, I REALLY APPRECIATE
SWARM
IT'S NOT WHETHER YOU WON OR LOST... BUT HOW YOU PLAYED THE GAME...
THE WORLD HAS NEVER LIKED APPEASERS, OTIS!
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TV QUIZ SCANDALS! PAYOLA TO DISK JOCKEYS! PRICE-FIXING IN INDUSTRY!
THIS IS NEW?
NOW SUN TANS! ARE THERE NO MORALS?
THE SUN TANS OF 1961 ARE JUST ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF OUR FAILING NATIONAL MORALS!
BRONZE-SKINNED AMERICANS ARE A SYMBOL OF DISHONESTY!
I MEAN AN HONORABLE SUN TAN IS A THING OF THE DISTANT PAST!